



Topic Name: Making One Change

Idea Title: To be known as a bike-friendly destination

Idea Detail: We need bike paths and bike racks everywhere to encourage more people but with bikes there would be less congestion, fewer cars and parking problems. We need a much more pedestrian-friendly crossing at Lincoln & Maxella, where people access Admiralty Park behind Ralphs.

Idea Author: Karen K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 24

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Boat/Board Kitchen

Idea Detail: I think it would be really fun if there were a community based workshop sort of along the lines of the Bicycle Kitchen in Los Angeles, but for the repair and maintenance of small watercraft, surfboards, and SUPs. For a small fee, anyone could bring a leaky boat or a cracked surfboard into the workshop and could get some guidance as they work on repairing the problem themselves.

Such a workshop could help low-income boat owners keep their crafts seaworthy and safe, while also teaching valuable skills such as: woodworking, fiberglass repair, etc.

Idea Author: Josh H

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 17

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: change intersection at Via Marina & Admiralty to a roundabout.

Idea Detail: fewer U turns southbound on via marina

Idea Author: bill A



Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 16

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Density and traffic

Idea Detail: We do not need any more hotels and apartment buildings in the Marina, especially of the high-rise and high density kind. They exacerbate the already difficult traffic problems on Via Marina, Admiralty Way, Washington and Lincoln Boulevards. Via Marina and Admiralty are considered scenic routes by the California Coastal commission. Large buildings obstruct view from these roads. Marina del Rey is public land designated as recreational site. It was never intended to be exploited in order to fulfill a developer's dream location.

Idea Author: Sandra S

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 16

Number of Comments 2

Comment 1: It's really important to strike an appropriate balance between limiting traffic congestion and bringing people to the marina because it's a lively, fun recreation destination. More inexpensive or free public transportation options will help - a 25-cent "jitney" service that circles the marina every 10-15 minutes would be terrific. Improved, year-round, inexpensive water taxi service is important too. And safe, comfortable bike paths with views, bike racks at parks and restaurants, and water fountains/restrooms along the way would also help encourage people to park their cars and circulate in more relaxed and "greener" ways throughout the marina. What if parking on the outskirts of the marina was FREE and a jitney brought people into the center of the marina to circulate.... but destination parking at Chase Park or Mothers' Beach. etc. was fairly expensive? That might encourage people to "park and ride" in the marina. | By Peter P

Comment 2: This is so important. | By LeeAundra K

Idea Title: Improve water transportation options

Idea Detail: Improve dock access at various parts of the marina for dinghies, kayaks, etc.. and



encourage residents and visitors to get out of their cars and use the water to get around MDR

Idea Author: Kevin L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 15

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Upgrading parking meters to take credit cards at Chase Park.

Idea Detail: This will be more convenient especially when transporting elderly.

Idea Author: Monica L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 5

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Water destination at Mother's Beach, health food market nearby.

Idea Detail: Cleaning up Mother's beach, making it into a great water park.

Keeping the Marina boater friendly with access to restaurants & shopping.. A good market for area residents, with organic foods highlighted and a greater variety than presently available.

Idea Author: bill A

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 4

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Continuity

Idea Detail: The Marina has no character because the improvements and development are being made in a haphazard manner. It would be so nice to see this redevelopment approached as more of a master plan.



Idea Author: Pat R

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 3

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Solar powered water taxis

Idea Detail: San Francisco has done a really nice job incorporating solar powered ferries from the Embarcadero to Alcatraz Island. Could we use their model and have a solar powered water taxi service in the marina? Cutting fuel costs and air pollution should be the goal. And savings could be passed along to riders - Maybe the water taxi could be FREE June, July and August for visitors, and 25-cents the rest of the year for marina residents.

Idea Author: Peter P

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0



Topic Name: What is your vision for Marina del Rey?

Idea Title: Bike Paths & bike racks to reduce cars, traffic & parking proble

Idea Detail: Need to make the Marina & surrounding area bike friendly to reduce congestion

Idea Author: Karen K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 21

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: A Community Boathouse

Idea Detail: Building a community boathouse with space for youth programs and adult non-motorized boat users would be a positive development. The LA rowing community, youth and adults, would be well served by this community facility located directly on the main channel. Take a look at other community boat houses, e.g. Boston, Newport, Austin etc.

Idea Author: Liz G

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 11

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Water Accessibility

Idea Detail: - Be able to get anywhere in the Marina via boat/ look at dinghy docks for access to restaurants/shopping/other access points

Idea Author: Kevin L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 9



Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Balance

Idea Detail: The goal today should be to aim for a logical balance of elements going forward. True boating and water related themes should be the centerpiece from which the other ingredients compliment or integrate. So, first a strong foundation and ideology of water access and boating, then an emphasis on geographic connectivity that will form a better sense of physical community, which is sorely lacking. This area should celebrate its unique geography and role. And those responsible for its restructuring should adhere to its true purpose. This adherence doesn't have to exclude a charm and layout that could also attract tourist activity and dollars. This balance can be struck, but those guarding the bureaucratic gates would need to be sharing this common vision.

Idea Author: Pat R

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 5

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Marina del Rey "Another day in Paradise"

Idea Detail: MDR is a world class location where people come to meet, shop, dine, recreate, visit and live

Idea Author: ralph R

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 5

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Harmony with the ocean - e.g. a dedicated sea lion dock

Idea Detail: This might rank a bit lower in importance than other improvements but perhaps a designated space for the sea lions - one where they are not chased off by dock owners. I know they are a nuisance for boaters but the sea lions are becoming an attraction in their own right and many residents love them. A space like Pier 39 in SF might keep them off the other docks



and bring in visitors. We live and visit the Marina to experience the ocean. Makes sense we should live in harmony with the sea life, yes?

Idea Author: LeeAundra K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 3

Number of Comments 1

Comment 1: Yes, we need to speak to one of the sea lion leaders (the bigger ones I think) and have him instruct the rank and file to go to a specific place to be viewed. | By Pat R



Topic Name: Walking Marina del Rey

Idea Title: Improve path directional & informational signage

Idea Detail: Add pathway signage throughout the marina on popular walkways with maps/focal points/businesses that someone walking the marina would enjoy - maybe also interpretive signage that gives information about the marina, wildlife, boats, etc..

Idea Author: Kevin L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 18

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: more intergrated interaction/accessibility via walkways

Idea Detail: more intergrated interaction/accessibility via walkways

Idea Author: Dan T

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 15

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Provide better parks and make it dog friendly

Idea Detail: Provide grassy areas for relaxation and play like Palisades park on Ocean Ave.

Idea Author: Karen K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 15

Number of Comments 1





Comment 1: More parks in the western part of the Marina would be great too. How about making all of parcel 9U into a park? With a dog area. An acre refuge for the birds is great but it's not enough and do we really need another hotel? I think occupancy rates aren't anywhere near capacity as it is... | By LeeAundra K



Topic Name: A More Connected Marina del Rey

Idea Title: Creating a walker's and cyclist paradise

Idea Detail: In a community you recognize the faces of your neighbors and of people who live in the same area but in MDR we're always in our cars. For example, when I walk my dog along Admiralty Way I feel like I'm walking next to a freeway. The cars all zoom past me at 50 mph and there are very few crosswalks. The people I do see are walking because they have a dog, they take public transportation, they are running, or they are a tourist trying to figure out how to get to Venice Beach. Additionally, I don't get the feeling that MDR is connected when most of the buildings on main streets are built like a fortress to protect their inhabitants. There are small streets that feel much more connected but I never know when there will be a sidewalk.

If we want to feel connected we have to get out of our cars. Which means that we have to place a greater effort on making MDR walkable and easier for cyclists as well. More crosswalks, lowering the traffic speed, and making sure future developments are not designed to be a fortress for its residents. This all adds to the comfort level of walkers and it encourages more walking among its residents and visitors.

Idea Author: Silvia L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 9

Number of Comments 2

Address: 4160 Admiralty Way 90292, United States

Comment 1: Totally agree. Also need to retain and improve views of the Marina from Admiralty and the Marvin Braude bike trail. | By Peter M

Comment 2: Totally Agree. The streets are designed to flush cars through MDR as quickly as possible, instead of facilitating community. Admiralty should not be just a bypass to Lincoln. MDR residents and businesses deserve a local-serving street that is calm, walkable, and bikeable. | By Eric B

Idea Title: Add a bikeway along Lincoln connecting Fiji to Ballona Creek

Idea Detail: Bicyclists trying to get to Marina del Rey have to go over a mile out of their way to safely enter MDR because Lincoln is not a safe route. If we want people to be able to get to



MDR safely without driving, we need to make alternatives safe and convenient. Recreational bike paths that meander do not serve transportation needs efficiently.

Idea Author: Eric B

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 6

Number of Comments 1

Comment 1: Yes, this would allow MDR residents much easier access to Ballona Creek to ride east into Culver City. Looks straightforward to link Ballona Creek to MDR with a bike path adjacent to Lincoln as suggested - some digging to make a route beside Lincoln under Culver but looks as though the existing bridge already has the side span structure and space. Possible alternative is to extend the existing bike path straight across to Ballona Creek from Fiji & Admiralty - a section might need to be elevated above wetland but not difficult.

A very useful addition would be to extend a bike bridge over Ballona Creek to Playa Vista. Might be possible to hang it under or attach beside the existing Lincoln bridge. | By Peter M

Idea Title: Water Taxi

Idea Detail: They should run longer than the summer months. It's a unique way to get around the marina on weekends without having to drive to restaurants, find parking or pay for valets, etc.

The cost of having this should be split among the community (ie restaurants, hotels, etc.) as it would benefit all.

We live in the neighborhood and hear visitors and residents alike on the taxi that this would be a huge benefit and draw to the area.

Idea Author: Susanne K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 6

Number of Comments 1



Comment 1: More prominent (but attractive) signs and schedule/fare information at several of the stops would increase ridership. I suspect many are unaware of where some of the stops are. | By Peter M

Idea Title: Make a continuous public path around the Marina

Idea Detail: There are too many private areas. There should be a walking path all along the edge of the marina that would let people go for a walk and access restaurants, bars, stores... At this time the marina is surrounded by individual private units of residential or commercial that does not open to the public spaces. lets remove all the chain link fences and open the spaces for everybody to enjoy it.

Idea Author: vianney B

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 5

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: A free shuttle bus circuiting the Harbor

Idea Detail: Starting at Via Marina and the entrance to the Harbor, along Via Marina going north, turning right onto Admiralty Way and ending at Fisherman's Village. Then turning around and reversing the route.

Idea Author: Sandra S

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 3

Number of Comments 2

Address: 90292

Comment 1: Nominal \$1.50 one-way or \$2.00 round-trip (incentive discount) cost to help subsidized shuttle is reasonable in lieu of free of charge. | By Jessica K

Comment 2: They already do this. Here is the link for the Beach Shuttle,
http://file.lacounty.gov/dbh/docs/cms1_146916.pdf



They pick up from Playa Vista, through the marina, and Venice. | By Alicia K

Idea Title: In addition to walkways/bike paths contiguous around Marina.

Idea Detail: Open up picnic area at Mother's beach, add enclosed salt water pool to keep pollutants out, add a workout area with various stations & diagrams. That will keep groups off picnic tables and concrete around picnic area. Will try to attach images.

Idea Author: bill A

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: A public park

Idea Detail: Open up views from Admiralty down the main channel and provide another public space with a small park adjacent to the California Yacht club. This would be a stopping point for bicyclists and pedestrians and an opportunity for local residents from the huge number of apartments in the area to enjoy the Marina area and connect with one another.

Most views of the Marina have been blocked from public streets and even the Marvin Braude bike trail. This would enhance the overall quality of the bike trip around the Marina. People also use this location to watch fireworks and boat parades.

Idea Author: Peter M

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0

Address: 4469 Admiralty Way 90292, United States



Topic Name: Marina Congestion

Idea Title: Review the corner of Washington and Lincoln

Idea Detail: Add a bike path to lincoln Blvd. Widen the sidewalks. Plant trees.

Ideally there would be a light rail running in the middle of the boulevard and lots of parking lots along its length.

Also improve the floor marking for pedestrians crossings and increases its number to connect the East side of Lincoln to the marina.

Idea Author: vianney B

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 8

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Crosswalks need flashing lights

Idea Detail: Especially on Admiralty, ALL crosswalks at the major intersections should have flashing lights. People speed badly along Admiralty. I have seen many accidents at Bali and Admiralty in particular.

Idea Author: Alicia K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 3

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Main Channel buoys/markers need lights

Idea Detail: When navigating through the Main Channel in the harbor, it is often impossible to see the small buoys until you are right up in front of them. It would be much safer in boat traffic if those had some kind of light (solar?) on the top.

Idea Author: Alicia K

Number of Seconds 0



Number of Points 2

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Add bike lanes to Admiralty Way

Idea Detail: Admiralty Way is where all the destinations are, but it is a terrible road for walking and biking. It needs bike lanes to calm traffic and provide safe and efficient mobility to actual destinations.

Idea Author: Eric B

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 1

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: add/keep landscape on Admiralty Way

Idea Detail: Please do not pave over any more medians! Please drive along Stocker St. between La Brea & Crenshaw to compare that pleasurable experience to the paved medians on Admiralty & the ugly intersection of Lincoln & Hwy 90.

Idea Author: Jessica K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Points 1

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Congestion: More turn lanes Mindanao and Admiralty Way plus

Idea Detail: at Bali, Via Marina at Admiralty, Via Marina at Washington. Shorten stop light at Bali and Admiralty so more cars can exit and enter. The stop light crossing at Lloyd Tabor Library and Admiralty is dangerous due to convergence of bicyclists, cars and pedestrians at a short crossing point.

Idea Author: Sandra S



Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: More crosswalks and raised curb protecting bike lanes

Idea Detail: Congestion during the heaviest hours of use in MDR is what it is. MDR is a small area with lots of people all trying to get to work at the same time. There are not many streets from Admiralty that lead to Lincoln and most of the smaller streets of residential areas connect to Admiralty. It is only natural that congestion happens, as it does all over LA.

But we can try to make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists which I believe is the goal at the end of the day since it also makes it safer for cars. If there were more crosswalks before major intersections it may give walkers the option to avoid the major intersections and cross before their destinations.

As for cyclists, having a bike lane would make a difference if it is protected by either a raised curb or a barrier of parked cars. I say this because there is a bike lane on Washington Ave but many cyclist choose to use the sidewalk because cars on Washington make it unsafe and intimidating for the less experienced cyclist.

Idea Author: Silvia L

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0



Topic Name (Instant Poll): A Better Marina

Idea Title: Recreation

Number of Seconds 14

Idea Title: Marine

Number of Seconds 8

Idea Title: Restaurants

Number of Seconds 6

Idea Title: Retail

Number of Seconds 3

Idea Title: Residential

Number of Seconds 1

Idea Title: Public Facilities

Number of Seconds 1

Idea Title: Commercial

Number of Seconds 0

Comments

Number of Comments 8

Comment 1: The marina already is one of the world's best, now we need more public access, Chase park is great, a perfect place for new charter boats, boat rentals, guest slips, sailing lessons and a free human powered boat launch area, all with public parking. | By ralph R

Comment 2: What Marina del Rey lacks are charming, moderately priced, informal waterside cafe/bistros with a view. Shanghai Red's and the Warehouse are a joke, mere tourist traps.



Cafe Del Rey and Jerne are good, but expensive. The Chart House is fine, but again, not very intimate and a bit on the pricey side. The Jamaica Bay Inn restaurant is too formal and also pricey. The food at Killer Shrimp is mediocre and the atmosphere and noise level is frantic. Saponi at Fisherman's Village has the right idea. So does the restaurant at the Marina del Rey Hotel. You should talk to Nick Caruso, he understands the concept, but the Waterside has no view. The Marina needs to be on a par with Abbot Kinney Boulevard. That is where locals and the tourists go to eat and shop. In terms of restaurants, MDR is neither a local, foodie or tourist "destination." Given its major asset, i.e. superb water views, it should be.

| By Sandra S

Comment 3: Second that. More outdoor patio restaurants with water views... | By LeeAundra K

Comment 4: Definitely agree. More outdoor patios to enjoy a casual meal, coffee, or a beer are needed. The space adjacent to Mendocino Farms and Fresh Brothers is great, but effectively, you are sitting in a parking lot! Fisherman's Village seems to be the logical place to make this a reality. | By Jim E

Comment 5: There is plenty of shopping in the marina and across Lincoln in Del Rey. We just need better pedestrian / bike access since Lincoln is an 8-10 lane intersection at Maxella. It can be scary and intimidating so people drive, which creates traffic and parking problems. | By Karen K

Comment 6: I think there's more to this. Again, it needs to be a pleasant and desirable destination for all, addressing traffic, recreational and shopping. | By Vivian C

Comment 7: need neighborhood market on Via Marina | By bill A

Comment 8: There is a market on Via Marina, it just needs some updating. | By Jim E



Topic Name (Instant Poll): Revitalizing Marina del Rey

Idea Title: More bike access

Number of Seconds 11

Idea Title: Wider sidewalks

Number of Seconds 7

Idea Title: More restaurants

Number of Seconds 6

Idea Title: Other_____

Number of Seconds 6

Idea Title: More trees and plantings

Number of Seconds 5

Idea Title: More retail

Number of Seconds 3

Comments

Number of Comments 14

Comment 1: Provide incentives for biking, walking, using transit. | By Dylan S

Comment 2: Agree with the comments on a revitalized Fisherman's Village | By Kevin L

Comment 3: Would like better dock access to restaurants like the Warehouse and Fisherman's Village. Would also like to see better bike lanes on Admiralty Way going east. | By Mari N

Comment 4: More dock and dine areas for people to enjoy local restaurants.
Better Fisherman's Village! There is really no reason to go there right now, other than boat rental or parasailing.



Shopping doesn't seem like such a great thing in this community, it really should be a recreational and food-centric city. The place where you go for a beautiful waterfront dining experience after a nice bike ride or boating or fishing trip. | By Alicia K

Comment 5: I'd like to see higher end retail and restaurants at Fisherman's Village. For such prime real estate, we need to do better than souvenir shops and cheap Mexican food. Other cities create "river walk" type settings that attract more local residents. If you build it, they will come. | By Aimee T

Comment 6: More (and better) bike parking, usable with modern locks; bike lanes on inter-basin streets; wayfinding signs to tempt cyclists off the bikeways and to MdR businesses and amenities. (The racks at Fisherman's Village are not very good at all; check these guidelines: http://www.apbp.org/resource/resmgr/publications/bicycle_parking_guidelines.pdf) | By Richard R

Comment 7: MdR needs a physical center. That center could be the water. People can come, park and transport via water busses and taxi's, where they could access waterside retail and recreation. | By Pat R

Comment 8: And don't forget that the Marina is and should be all about boats, boaters and marine access! | By Pat G

Comment 9: Owning and storing a boat in MDR will never be cheap. But the marina has lost a significant percentage of small boats slips (30 feet or fewer) over the past decade. This reduced inventory has driven up the cost of the remaining small slips.

These have been replaced by larger, more expensive slips. We need to increase the number of smaller slips so that MDR remains relatively affordable and does not become a playground for the "mega-rich". | By Jim E

Comment 10: In today's world more and more people are using bicycles i think we need to create more safe bike trails, all around the Marina. And as starters for revitalization Fisherman's village is a disgrace and has been for many years. | By ralph R

Comment 11: How about revitalizing the Community Room at Chase Park? | By Monica L

Comment 12: How about a better restaurant selection at Fisherman's Village? | By Monica L

Comment 13: Second that. | By LeeAundra K



Comment 14: Improved signage that ties the entire community together as one destination and provides information about MDR businesses and focal points as well as information about the harbor, birds, sea life and other natural elements of MDR | By Kevin L



Topic Name (Instant Poll): Getting From Here to There

Idea Title: Shuttle

Number of Seconds 8

Idea Title: Walking

Number of Seconds 6

Idea Title: Bicycle

Number of Seconds 5

Idea Title: Bus

Number of Seconds 0

Idea Title: Ride Share

Number of Seconds 0

Comments

Number of Comments 8

Comment 1: I would like to see the water taxi operate year round, not just in the summer. The water taxi "stops" should be more than just a dock or slip - an iconic structure that really calls attention to the water taxi and its route would increase ridership and could make the water taxi a destination in itself. Imagine if the simple "ride around the marina" was just that - an destination opportunity to see the marina from the water and maybe stop midway for an ice cream break or for lunch at one of the waterfront restaurants. | By Peter P

Comment 2: I agree that all listed are important | By ralph R

Comment 3: Consider a means to walk completely around the Marina, not just portions. I tried once to walk from Mother's Beach to Fisherman's Village and was met with many obstacles of blocked off paths and having to back track to go around certain facilities. | By G B

Comment 4: Marina needs to be redesigned to make it a pleasant destination for all. That includes better traffic control, better planned shopping and dining areas overlooking the water -



basically what's been done very successfully in Long Beach and San Diego. | By Vivian C

Comment 5: A "boardwalk" along the harbor and interweaving through and with restaurants, shops, view points, etc. | By Dan T

Comment 6: The County should look at connections between the Marina traffic and nearby school traffic and also reach out to stakeholders in surrounding communities. We all share the same roads. | By Pat H

Comment 7: In addition to continuous and safe bike routes; an effective shuttle would have a significant effect in diminishing traffic. | By Noah N

Comment 8: A continuous and safe bike route that connects Venice to Playa is necessary- the current route is not adequate | By Steven C



Topic Name (Instant Poll): A Family-Friendly Community

Idea Title: Park

Number of Seconds 5

Idea Title: Other _____

Number of Seconds 3

Idea Title: Affordable Dining

Number of Seconds 2

Idea Title: Better Sidewalks

Number of Seconds 2

Idea Title: Museum

Number of Seconds 1

Idea Title: Family Entertainment

Number of Seconds 0

Comments

Number of Comments 9

Comment 1: My friends and I are mourning the loss of Cafe Mermaid. More casual dining places are needed for the kayakers, SUPs, and others who want to enjoy a casual bite to eat even if they have sandy feet or wet clothes! | By Pat G

Comment 2: Parcel 9U (corner of Via Marina and Tahiti) has been vacant for years and efforts to build a hotel there have flailed. Give up the idea of a hotel or any sort of building and make it a park. The 1 acre refuge for water fowl the County has already planned is a good idea but too little an effort. We don't need another hotel - we need more parks, especially on the west side of the Marina. | By LeeAundra K



Comment 3: Marina Del Rey should be an exceptional recreational playground for LA residents who want to escape the congested city.

Priorities: open space/parks, views, recreational facilities, paths, low rise restaurants and parking. Recreational facilities should include more kayak/paddle board launch locations and storage, small boat launch and storage, playgrounds, courts (tennis, paddle board, basketball, volleyball, etc). In-short, a multi-use park. | By Peter M

Comment 4: Families want a safe, fun place to visit. The biggest turnoff to families in this area is trash (Marina Beach especially needs help) and the large transient population. Direct information from the MDR Sheriffs department tells us that many drug users and known felons are coming from Ballona wetlands into the marina area, and until this issue is addressed, they will continue. This needs to be a state and county effort, the Ballona wetlands are protected for animals, and the amount of people living there is detrimental to not only the environment but also their own health. | By Alicia K

Comment 5: Absolutely, we need more public spaces where people can gather, sit, walk/bike, snack and enjoy views and fresh air coming off the Marina. An opportunity exists to create such a space on the Marina side of Admiralty somewhere between the Fire station and the Library. This would simultaneously allow views from Admiralty and the Marvin Braude bike path. It is roughly equidistant between Chase Park and Mothers Beach both of which are well used.

Residents of the huge number of apartments created in the area and across LA need open spaces to breathe. We do not need more hotels and construction crowding the Marina. It is a unique publicly owned location that should not be destroyed by over development. | By Peter M

Comment 6: Stop destroying the MARINA by extending the CITY out and even over the water, lessening water views, adding traffic where traffic cannot be mitigated due to the limited land BECAUSE THIS IS A MARINA, and causing worse air pollution than we already have.

FROM THE ONSET OF THIS MARINA IN THE 60s IT WAS MANDATED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO WALK EVERY FINGER AND THE ENTIRE MARINA AT THE WATER WITHOUT OBSTRUCTION. THAT HAPPENED TO A LIMITED DEGREE AND NOW IT WILL BE LESS THAN IT EVER WAS.

The County Supervisors had a WONDERFUL IDEA in creating the Marina and they have spent all their time since then mismanaging it in a myriad of ways, including, it seems, approving DEFERRED MAINTENANCE in the developers/lessees leases, as instead of maintaining residential and commercial leaseholds from the onset, they have been left to deteriorate, been totally mismanaged and now that their super long lease terms are up, it's off



to the races to "citify" our MARINA.

SO SAD.

| By Roslyn W

Comment 7: There are 3 things that attract families/people, and they are "FOOD" "MUSIC" and what ever else happens. Thus to reinvent Marina del Rey we need several gathering places with all levels of food and entertainment. | By ralph R

Comment 8: The picture above would be the perfect area for an enclosed salt water pool that families, adults & children could safely use. It would allow for a separation between the boat pollutants and a filtered & monitored pool. It would still allow the paddle boarders, kayakers, etc. ample room. The picnic area would be much more inviting if open & cleaned with a few unisex bathrooms and an outdoor tiled, shower. | By bill A

Comment 9: More bike facilities | By Dylan S



Topic Name: Meeting Your Needs

Idea Title: Cleaner water

Idea Detail: This beach exceeds state pollution standards 17% of the time (per NRDC.) It is one of the more polluted beaches in the area which is not good considering it ostensibly caters to small children.

Idea Author: LeeAundra K

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0

Idea Title: Children's play area

Idea Detail: Having a safe place for children to play (jungle gym, slides, etc.) with an appropriate, soft, ADA accessible play surface would be great.

Idea Author: Peter P

Number of Seconds 0

Number of Comments 0



Survey: July 17th Community Focus Group on Mobility, Circulation

Question: Are the right types of parking in the appropriate places in the Marina to serve your needs?

Definitely not enough parking and not well indicated.

I don't drive to MDR.

Modern bike parking

Need better parking at Fisherman's Village, specifically for large mass of cars exiting the premises

no. need more parking

Parking is terrible in the Waterside Shopping Center. That whole lot is designed really badly, it is constantly congested and the flow doesn't work right. Parking on the whole west side of the marina, especially on Tahiti Way.

yes

Question: Once you park your vehicle, is it easy to walk to your destination, or are there improvements you would suggest that would make walking from parking lots more comfortable?

better promenades

Bike racks should be abundant and as close to destinations as possible.

I don't drive to MDR.

It's fine.

No clear signage or visibility for where to go in the marina from any public parking area - maybe have maps/suggested walking tours/restaurant guides/activity guides so people who are parking have some sort of idea of what is walkable - also offer direction to alternate parking areas

The only place with parking and easy access to the marina is at chase park.



The parking area is sadly too small and the other parkings are not easily connected to the marina.

yes

Question: What enhancements should be made in the Marina to improve pedestrian and bicycle circulation and access?

Better bike signage for the 22 mile coastal bike path. Maybe maps of the harbor more frequently in the area? Flashing pedestrian crosswalks.

For bicycles there should be direct access from Mothers Beach all the way down to Tony P's. To get there I bike on a narrow sidewalk in front of the Marina City Club. Finally past Ritz Carlton to Tony P's to but back in the dangerous street of Admiralty Way to get to the bike path. The area at the City Club should be open to the public to access and their should be access all the way down to hook up with the bike path and avoid the street.

Need to better identify bike lanes, specifically in areas where bikers need to transition across traffic (like on Fiji Way)

New cycle-tracks or separated bike lanes on every street, and resurface existing bike paths.

promenade

There needs to be efficient bikeways on the streets that allow bicyclists to connect to retail and other destinations. The recreational path meanders and is totally out of the way for people actually biking for transportation. The streets are not safe right now.

There is a major missing connection between Ballona Creek and MDR along Lincoln. Having to go all the way to Fiji adds well over a mile to a trip from areas to the east, which is a major deterrent to people trying to get to MDR.

Wider sidewalks along the water. Continuous access to the water edge for pedestrians and bicycles.

Question: What ideas do you have for improving boater facilities, boat circulation and access?



Access to the marina seem fairly good.

Fisherman's Village needs a major overhaul and more better restaurants. El Torito and Shanghai Reds are terrible. No boater parking. What a joke considering there is plenty of space for docks for boaters to park and dine or shop. The County uses space to park derelict boats that are an eyesore to look at. Nothing to promote tourism. Get rid of the County derelict boats and make nice boater parking & give Fisherman's Village the much needed makeover it needs with much better shops & restaurants

More dinghy and kayak and SUP storage!!! A major issue for years. There really isn't very much small craft storage available, esp. since marinas are no longer allowed to get dinghies stored on docks near the seawall. This has eliminated much of that storage option.

Also, it is VERY difficult to see the Main Channel markers in the middle of the channel. Could they install some sort of light on the tops of those buoys? Many people have run/almost run over those at dusk or after dark.

Need to put boater supply access closer to the public boat docks for visiting boaters or provide easier and more clearly defined paths & routes to get to these areas. Newport Beach has a welcome guide for visiting boaters that helps communicate various services, attractions, restaurants, etc. in the area -- maybe add that?

No answer

none

none.

Comments

Number of Comments 0



Survey: July 17th Community Focus Group on Mobility, The Promenade

Question: What do you think the promenade should look like (i.e., width, design, amenities)?

As wide as possible with smooth surface - signage geared towards directions with overview of the marina and possible walking paths with distances, signage directed towards education and information on the Marina, wildlife, fauna, marine life, etc., signage addressing other areas and modes of transportation available (bus, WaterBus, etc..)

Benches, nice looking trash cans, no chain link fences, landscaping (non-invasive local plants and trees that don't require much water). Walkways should be either stamped concrete, brick, or some other low maintenance paved area.

drinking fountains, maps, lots of landscaping

I'd like to see it as wide as possible with adequate lighting for night strolling. It would be nice if there were doggie bags along the way for those who walk their pets. Nice lamps and benches would be nice and maybe some little vista spots to look out on the water.

Keep it simple: Repave (possible with paving stones), new fences, some landscaping and a couple of benches.

landscaped, widened to accomodate pedestrian and bike traffic. pavement fixed.

Minimum 20 foot wide wood or stone boardwalk around marina. Including food and entertainment kiosks, ergonomic benches and turnout areas for resting. Nicely designed bike areas to be used to lock bikes safely.

No more chainlink fence.

Take example from all the little harbors in the south of France. The city should be connected to the water.

Floor to be brick pavers.

Lots of trees and benches and grass areas. Human scale lighting.

Bike path. Running path



**Walking path. The promenade should be as wide as possible.
Room for small food/drink merchant, restaurants, bars...**

**Similar to Ventura Surfer Point new promenade, very wide maybe 60 to 80'
includes both peds and bikes**

**Question: Aside from pedestrians, should other transportation modes be encouraged
on the promenade (e.g., bicycles, other)?**

bicycles

bicycles but with strict speed limits!

**Bike lanes should remain on the designated 22 mile bike path. Most
pedestrian walkways are not wide enough to accomodate additional bike
lanes. It would be nice, but not very realistic around the whole marina.**

**Bike/ skate and skate board lanes should definitely be incorporated into the
design of the promenade.**

**It would be nice if bicycles were in another section so parents wouldn't have
to worry about their kids getting mowed over by a speeding bicyclist or
skater.**

Keep bicycles on a separate promenade like Manhattan and Hermosa Beach

walking and biking

yes

yes, see above comment

**Question: Would you like to see vendor kiosks, food trucks, etc., along wider sections
of the promenade?**

Yes(2)

Yes. Restaurants with open outdoor terraces. Also stores.

As well as seating areas and public restrooms



It might be nice to have old marina history/photos on boards around the promenade. People are always very interested in this harbor, and it has a great potential to educate even our locals here about their effect on the area.

maybe...

Not really. We don't need an extension of Venice Beach. The last thing I want to see are street performers!

possibly. only on certain days or evenings. no s.m. 3rd street promenade.

Venor Kiosks, food trucks, entertainers should be incorporated and all add to a lively waterfront experience.

Question: Would you like to see events programmed at locations along the promenade?

yes(2)

yes, great opportunity to bring more people to the waterfront at areas where there is already visitor-serving areas (Fisherman's Village, Burton Chace Park, etc)

Historical and boating events. MDR walking tours. Love the Burton Chase concerts, food trucks, and farmers market. Maybe a Spring Clean harbor cleanup event? Venice Beach always does a beach cleanup with organizing help from Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation.

No.

Not really, but I could go either way.

Of course, but the events will come naturally as soon as the Hardscape and landscape is fixed.

possibly. depending on what kind

Programmed events all add the liveliness that supports a healthy boardwalk experience.

Concerts, music, poetry, movie nights, boat shows, etc. all are encouraged.

Comments



Number of Comments 3

Comment 1: Please save Mermaid Cafe. It's a unique venue and much needed by those of us who are welcomed there by Jenny and her crew although we are wet or sandy! | By Pat G

Comment 2: I have been saying for years Marina Del Rey is LA's best kept secret. MDR should be very upscale in order to attract tourism and revenue. I'm glad their is re-development going on but their needs to be a lot more done to make it more desireable. With as much money as the boaters and apartment tenants pay, MDR shouold be a lot nicer. The picture above looks like an alley in Van Nuys, not multi million dollar MDR. | By Brett J

Comment 3: That picture is extremely misleading. I know exactly the location, and if you were to look slightly left you would see beautiful boats at the end of "B" Basin. If you look slightly right you would see the renovated condos along Via Marina.

Let's not get too bent-out-of shape about an asphalt path with some weeds. | By Jim E



Survey: July 17th Community Focus Group on Mobility, Wayfinding

Question: How should visitors be directed to and from different locations in the Marina?

Develop a brand and keep the message consistent with signage

I like the signs that are up now, I think the logos and colors are done nicely.

Nautical signage that is consistent through the entire marina including overview maps and specific points of interest / for arriving boaters, create a small boating guide brochure that could be given to visiting boaters about MDR facilities, amenities and areas of interest (restaurants, supplies, grocery stores, etc.)

signs...

Question: What areas or key destinations in the Marina are important to direct visitors to and from?

Fisherman's Village to hotels & restaurants, to/from Mother's Beach

fisherman's village, water busses, the bike path, the bike path, the bike path

Public launch ramp. Burton Chase Park. MDR Visitor Center. Venice Beach. Is there an "entering marina del rey" sign when coming from Washington Blvd?

Santa Monica

Braude bike path

Question: Which is most needed in the Marina: better wayfinding for cars, pedestrians, bicyclists or boats (or are all of the above needed)?

All of the above are needed in clear, consistent, easily identifiable signs

all of the above, most especially the bike path

Bicyclists unfamiliar with the marina have a VERY hard time keeping track of the 22 mile coastal bike trail when it crosses Washington and over to Admiralty. People are always getting lost around Bali Way area. Better signage for bikers and absolutely flashing lit crosswalks for pedestrians.



Need more info for bus riders, how to get to Santa Monica, how to get to LAX, Hollywood, downtown LA, and other tourist destinations using public transportation.

Comments

Number of Comments 0



Survey: June 1st Walking Tour and Mobile Workshop, Admiralty Way Area

Question: What are the opportunities to create a better relationship between existing uses?

Create a bike lane on Via Marina and on Admiralty Way

Create a walkable pathway that runs without interruption from Mother's Beach (which by the way should be officially named Mother's Beach) with signage and cutouts from various locations along Admiralty.

Major renovation is needed on Bali and Admiralty, the area is blighted not what we need in MDR. This is a perfect area for visitor serving recreational boating activities, rentals, charters and sales

More connectivity between Admiralty and mole roads and waterfront

Perhaps, a forum, not meetings but access through the internet where the Lessee's can communicate with each other and the County with greater ease and no backlash. A site not open to the general public.

We need walking paths that allow people to efficiently move between the apartments, hotels, restaurants, and waterfront activity locations. We also need better control over construction projects and activities, which seem poorly coordinated and put too much heavy vehicle traffic on main conduits, and place traffic and parking restrictions on normal traffic.

Question: How can we improve accessibility to the water?

By creating sanctioned and signposted accessibility for walkers. By determining a place for visitors to park and then have a reliable water bus to take them around via the basins and channels. By having retail accessible from both land and water. By not charging for parking at Fisherman's Village - revamp the old fuel dock and make this an area to jump off from. Let this be the hub from where tourists can access the water/waterbus. It makes sense in terms of potential traffic congestion.

Improve signage throughout the marina and provide updated information on how the public can access the water through the wide variety of uses currently provided



Improve transportation (shuttle service & increased water taxis). Open up the walkways that are currently blocked or gated. It would be nice to walk along the water from the canal to Fidji Way, if possible.

Offer more low cost small boat rentals, have additional public human powered boat launching areas. Offer low cost public sailing lessons

Post signs to show quickest route to the beach and beach parking

the marina should have public dingy docks at several locations, with adequate space to tie up for limited periods of time in order to allow visiting restaurants, shops, etc. We also need to maintain an adequate number of parking lots and spaces, even though these may be underutilized most of the time.

Question: How can we create a more comfortable pedestrian environment?

Continue the board walks they are great.

Create bike lanes on Via Marina and Admiralty Way so that bikes stay off the sidewalks

Create more walkable access.

Hire a master planner and lean on individual lease holders to cooperate with their philosophies of connectivity.

Rather than building these new apartments right up to the roadway there should be sufficient set-back to allow for sidewalks. We also need to open up those waterfront promenades currently blocked by yacht clubs, private enterprises, etc. Access to the water all the way around the marina should be a right, not a privilege decided by the leaseholder of the individual parcel.

Widen, level and improve walking paths. Tie them together to keep them out of flows of traffic. Improve on-path signage to include directional, environmental and exercise elements.

Question: Do you have any other comments?

I think this process may be helpful but I fear it is too late. The bad designs



like Esprit I and II and Neptune have already been approved. They do everything wrong, in terms of making the marina more comfortable place to live. And the people handling the construction and development projects have very little regard for the current residents.

No

Overall the Marina is great, we just need more ways the public can get out and enjoy the water

Plan community outreach events as far out as 30 days so local publications can assist you in spreading the word of your outreach.

See a lot of people who don't know how to get around the marina on all forms of transportation - walking, biking and car

The Marina needs to go back to be a "marina". That is the big attraction. Water, water, water.

Comments

Number of Comments 0



Survey: June 1st Walking Tour and Mobile Workshop, Channel Entrance Area

Question: How can we enhance recreational opportunities at the channel entrance?

Provide a boater guide to recreational opportunities in MDR to all visiting boaters. Increase parking and move to hourly pay rate with parking.

Question: What are the opportunities to support and enhance visitor-serving uses in this area?

Increase parking. Upgrade signage to clearly identify and explain various visitor-serving uses.

Question: How can we improve connectivity within the channel entrance area to other areas of the Marina?

Produce map showing routes to get to various points in the Marina. Tie this into public transportation.

Question: Do you have any other comments?

No

Comments

Number of Comments 0



Survey: June 1st Walking Tour and Mobile Workshop, Marina (Mother's) Beach Area

Question: How would you enhance the visitor's experience in this area?

Commit to a nicer beach, with a cleaner, more appealing water area for swimming and other water activities. (Currently looks like a shallow pond).

Improve amenities like bathrooms. Provide onsite sundries shop for beach users.

**Parking north of gym takes up prime waterfront
Not a great plan.**

Recognize that kayaks, outriggers, paddleboards, etc. do not need floating docks. They are, by their nature, designed to be launched from a beach. The beach area should focus on these activities. The floating dock area at Mother's Beach should be designated for guest dock use, and possibly as a Water Shuttle stop. The water shuttle should be revised to provide bow loading and unloading, as it would then take up less space on each dock it uses, thereby freeing up space for guest docks

Question: What elements would you add to complement existing recreational uses and amenities?

Create a water park environment, with kid friendly activities. Perhaps a bridge to get from one side of Mother's Beach to the other, high enough so it doesn't interfere with boating.

Every visitor serving amenity in MDR should be serviced by guest boat docks. The existing long dock on the North side of Mother's Beach would be an appropriate location for such a dock. If a portion of the dock is needed for ADA access or Water Shuttle operations, then the leeward side of the dock should be reserved for dinghy parking (bow in to accommodate more vessels) If possible, a larger dock should be provided for boats larger than dinghies to access the restaurants and beach area.

Outdoor dining

Sundries shop for beach goers that included some sort of deli-style food opportunity.



Question: What would you do to improve connectivity to other areas of the Marina?

Again, guest docks are needed. On a day when it's foggy or rough outside the Marina, boaters used to entertain guests by taking them to restaurants by boat. That no longer happens because nearly all of the restaurant adjacent guest slips have disappeared.

Directional signage, maps and other wayfinding assets - widen scope and duration of the WaterBus to allow beach goers to access other parts of the marina via water.

Free or inexpensive electric shuttle service that stops at the hotels and can commute from Via Marina to Fidji Way (Fisherman's village).

The water bus might run year round

Question: Do you have any other comments?

I am a founding member of the Board of Directors of the MDR CVB, having been appointed by Don Knabe and the LA County Board of Supervisors as the Community Representative. Providing guest docks for visitor serving facilities in MDR has been a CVB priority since its inception over a decade ago, as we recognize that waterside access to landside amenities fosters interaction between boaters and shore based amenities, which contributes to the attractiveness of MDR as a recreational destination.

I'd like to see more dining patios such as Shanghai Reds

No

No more apartments or permanent living residences. More boat friendly, affordable mooring areas, finish repair of docks. Encourage visitor's to arrive by boat rather than auto. A market so visitors to Mother's beach don't leave Mother's beach for supplies (as well as shopping for residents). Add restaurants, where closures. Clean-up walk-ways.

Comments

Number of Comments 1



Comment 1: The area in F basin along the North bulkhead in front of the existing office building would be an outstanding locating for a guest dock. I discussed this with Santos and he agreed that this space is under utilized and, since it is owned and controlled by the County, would be an excellent location for a dock which would allow access to the Warehouse, Tony P's, etc.

DB | By DAVID B